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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	Case No. 08cr0611 JM
)	Mag No. 08mj8148 PCL
Plaintiff,)	
)	ORDER FOR VIDEOTAPE DEPOSITION
v.)	AND RELEASE OF MATERIAL
SERGIO ANGEL DIAZ (1),)	WITNESSES
JASMINE MARIE AYALA (2),)	
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)	Judge: Lewis
Defendants.)	Hearing Date: April 1, 2008
)	Time: 1:30 p.m.

ORDER

1. The Material Witnesses in the case of UNITED STATES v. SERGIO ANGEL DIAZ and JASMINE MARIE AYALA shall be deposed on April 22, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. The deposition will be held at the U.S. Attorney's Office. An employee of the U.S. Attorney's Office shall serve as videotape operator. The witnesses to be deposed pursuant to this Order are Material Witnesses ADOLFO VARGAS-GUTIERREZ, ("MR. VARGAS"), JESUS ANTONIO VILLANUEVA-GUTIERREZ ("MR. VILLANUEVAO"), and JOSE LUIS ESTRADA-VASQUEZ ("MR. ESTRADA"), collectively the "Material Witnesses".

2. All parties shall attend the deposition. If the Defendants are in custody, they shall be brought separately to the deposition and a marshal shall remain present during the entire proceeding.

3. The United States Attorney's Office shall provide a videotape operator and arrange for a court-certified interpreter to be present for the Material Witnesses.

1 4. The cost of the interpreter for the Material Witnesses will
2 be borne by the United States. See 28 U.S.C. § 1827(c)(2).

3 5. If the defendant needs an interpreter independent of the
4 Material Witness interpreter, defense counsel will arrange for a
5 court-certified interpreter to be present. The cost of a separate
6 interpreter for the defendant shall be paid by the court.

7 6. The U.S. Attorney's Office shall arrange for a certified
8 court reporter to be present. The court reporter shall
9 stenographically record the testimony and serve as a notary and
10 preside at the deposition in accordance with Rule 28(a), Fed. R. Civ.
11 Proc. The cost of the court reporter shall be borne by the U.S.
12 Attorney's Office.

13 7. The deposition shall be videotape recorded. Prior to the
14 conclusion of the deposition, the deponent, or a party, may elect to
15 have the deponent review the videotaped record of his/her deposition
16 to note any changes. Any errors or changes, and the reasons for
17 making them, shall be stated in writing and such writing shall be
18 signed by the deponent.

19 8. The videotape operator shall select and supply all equipment
20 required to videotape the deposition and shall determine all matters
21 of staging and technique, such as number and placement of cameras and
22 microphones, lighting, camera angle, and background. He/she shall
23 determine these matters in a manner that accurately reproduces the
24 appearance of the witness and assures clear reproduction of both the
25 witness' testimony and the statements of counsel.

26 9. The deposition shall be recorded in a fair, impartial,
27 objective manner. The videotape equipment shall be focused on the
28 witness; however, the videotape operator may from time to time focus

1 upon charts, photographs, exhibits or like material being shown to
2 the witness during the deposition.

3 10. Before examination of the witness, the notary shall state
4 on the video record: (a) his/her name and address; (b) the date,
5 time and place of the deposition; (c) the name of the witness and the
6 caption of the action; and (d) the identity of the parties and the
7 names of all persons present in the deposition room. The notary
8 shall then swear the witness on the video record. Further, at the
9 beginning of the examination by each counsel, the counsel shall
10 identify himself/herself and his/her respective client on the record.
11 If more than one videotape is used, the notary shall repeat items
12 (a), (b) and (c) at the beginning of each new tape.

13 11. The videotape operator shall not stop the video recorder
14 after the deposition commences until it concludes, except, however,
15 that any party may request a cessation for a brief recess, which
16 request will be honored unless another party objects and states the
17 basis for said objection on the record. Each time the tape is
18 stopped or started, the operator shall announce the time on the
19 record. If the deposition requires the use of more than one tape,
20 the end of each tape and the beginning of the next shall be announced
21 orally on the video record by the operator.

22 12. Testimonial evidence objected to shall be recorded as if the
23 objection had been overruled and the court shall rule on the
24 objections prior to admitting that portion of the deposition. The
25 party raising the objection(s) shall be responsible for having a
26 transcript prepared for the court to consider. All objections to the
27 evidence presented shall be deemed waived unless made during the
28 deposition.

1 13. If requested by a party, the deposition testimony, if
2 offered other than for impeachment, may be presented in
3 nonstenographic video format, in which case no transcript need be
4 prepared in advance of trial, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.
5 See Fed.R.Civ.P. 32(c).

6 14. Copies of all exhibits utilized during the videotaped
7 deposition shall be marked for identification during the deposition
8 and filed along with the videotape.

9 15. At the conclusion of the deposition, the Government and
10 defense attorneys will advise the material witness attorney if they
11 intend to object to the release of the MATERIAL WITNESSES. If the
12 parties do not object to the witnesses' release, the Government and
13 defense attorney will immediately approve an order for the witnesses'
14 release from custody. At the conclusion of the deposition, the
15 Government will provide the witness with a subpoena for the trial
16 date, a travel fund advance letter, and written authorization to
17 enter the United States to testify at trial.

18 16. If any party objects to the release of the MATERIAL
19 WITNESSES, the objecting party must request a hearing on the issue
20 before the District Court, said request to occur within four business
21 hours after the deposition has concluded. Failure of the objecting
22 party to request this hearing shall be deemed a waiver of the
23 objection to the release of the MATERIAL WITNESSES, and a Release
24 Order shall be submitted for approval at the end of the four hour
25 period. If a hearing is requested, at the hearing, the objecting
26 party must be prepared to show why release of the material witness
27 is not appropriate under 18 U.S.C. § 3144. If, after the hearing,
28 the Court decides to release the material witness, the material

1 witness attorney shall file the witness release order immediately.
2 Again, the Government must serve the material witness with a trial
3 subpoena, a travel fund advance letter and written authorization to
4 legally enter the United States to testify at trial, before the
5 material witness is released from custody.

6 17. Upon request by either party, the videotape operator shall
7 provide a copy of the videotaped deposition to the requesting party
8 at the requesting party's expense. After preparing the requested
9 copies, if any, the videotape operator shall turn the original
10 videotape over to the notary along with a certificate signed by the
11 videotape operator attesting that the videotape is an accurate and
12 complete record of the recorded deposition.

13 18. The notary shall file the original videotape, along with any
14 exhibits offered during the deposition, with the Court in a sealed
15 envelope marked with the caption of the case, the name of the
16 witnesses and the date of the deposition. To that envelope, the
17 notary shall attach the sworn statement that the videotape is an
18 accurate and complete record of the recorded deposition and a
19 certification that the witnesses were duly sworn by the officer.

20 19. To the extent that the procedures set forth herein for
21 videotaping vary from those set forth in Rules 28 and 30 F.R.Civ.P.,
22 these variations are found to be good cause shown as allowed by F.R.
23 Civ. P. 29.

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1 20. Unless waived by the parties, the notary must give prompt
2 notice to all parties of the filing of the video record of the
3 deposition with the Court pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 30(f)(3).
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6 IT IS SO ORDERED:
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9 April 14, 2008
10 DATE



HON. PETER C. LEWIS,
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE